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## The Missouri Idea.

Governor Folk of Missouri delivered a remarkable address yesterday evening to the citizens of Missouri who are now exiled in New York. It was, with the customary animadversions, a review of his first months of service as the executive of the State.

His conclusions are optimistic but practical. It is becoming once more an honor to be a member of the Missouri State Legislature, not a disgrace. He is satisfied that no act of the general assembly at the session just closed was passed or defeated by the use of money. The lesson "of hoodling being bad politics was fresh in the minds of all."

But the address was more noteworthy still for the enunciation of the "Missouri idea." It is not new. It is not even newly stated. But it rings with eloquence because it represents results, and a fine principle supported by practical deeds accomplished in its name is a wonderfully powerful thing. Note how simply this principle is expressed:

The Missouri idea means the enforcement of law, and that if the law be bad the remedy is to repeal, not to ignore, it. There is entirely too little respect for law in America.

Nearly all public wrongs grow out of the indifference of the people. There are many who thrill with patriotic fervor at the thought of going to war and risking their lives for their country, but who forget to vote on election day. The patriotism of peace is just as necessary as the patriotism of war. The patriotism of the ballot is even more necessary in a free country than the patriotism of the bullet. Plenty of men will die for their country, but the man who will live for his city and State every day is the man good government needs.

How true all that is of today's America the citizens of Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Delaware, of Philadelphia, St. Louis, and Minneapolis can bear testimony. How much the nation needs the patriotism of honest ballots, cast by thinking men, the presence in public life of the paid agents of private interests abundantly signifies. In the end there can be no lasting correction of these evils, save by the people themselves. And on this subject Governor Folk has spoken these convincing phrases:

Citizens may make good laws, but no law can make good citizens. When the people grow lax in the discharge of their civic obligations the government grows corrupt and the very fountains of national life are poisoned; justice is thwarted and integrity is enthroned. The greatest and gravest dangers which beset a free nation proceed not from without but from within. Where wars and all other calamities combined have destroyed one government corruption has undermined a score.

## No Easy Job.

It is no easy matter to be the father-in-law of an English lord.

Even after mylord's solicitor has called upon you and informed you of the English custom as to the dowry, even after your first storm is over and you have paid the money required, the trouble does not end. A family quarrel may ensue, mylord's relatives may get "nasty," or some English Clays of the concert hall may enter into the situation. Indeed, something may happen at the very last moment to upset the wedding ceremonies and father-in-law may hope to breathe easily only after the rice is thrown and he has fairly seen the happy couple off at the train or at the steamship docks, bound, as he thinks, for mylord's town house in London, or one of his numerous to-be-rehabilitated castles in England.

At this juncture of the international episode father-in-law breathes a sigh of relief, thinks a little of the money, and decides to go back to work with renewed energy to make up for lost time. He thinks his troubles are over—but he is mistaken.

Mylord is a great rover, perhaps, and persuades his young bride that roving is the thing.

They decide to take a trip through Australia, the wilds of Africa, India, Japan or even, as was recently the case with the Duke and Duchess of Manchester, through Mexico, and father-in-law finds that his troubles have just begun.

One would think, you know, that Mexico was a safe enough place for one to travel, in one's own private car, at least, and yet one's father-in-law suddenly discovers that there one's daughter and one's son-in-law have suddenly disappeared—gone without a shadow of a clue as to their whereabouts.

Disappeared? Yes, utter father-in-law finds, as he cannot raise the whole of Mexico off its hinges to get a trace of them. He recalls mylord's relatives in England, the numerous disappearances of mylord's relatives, presumably from the same relatives, come from across the water, frantically urging that the search be prosecuted with the utmost vigor, but for some time, all in vain.

And father-in-law grows, as he

ought to know, even after the missing couple has turned up smiling that his relief is but temporary.

## Fixing Responsibility.

Accusation is made that a department clerk has been writing Congressional speeches. Let the light shine! There had been suspicion, but directed rather toward the janitor than any clerk. If any of the latter class has been perpetrating these speeches on Government time he deserves exposure, and he should be compelled to contribute to the conscience fund.

In the circumstance that a Congressman has his speeches written for him there is no offense, and often the evidence of virtue. If incompetent to prepare his own, and yet burning with anxiety to get into the Record, the most sensible course open is the hiring of some person capable of doing the work. This person must be aware of the line of thought struggling in the Congressional mind for expression. He must follow and elaborate the Congressional idea. He must uphold party policy and strengthen the individual fence; only he must not do this while drawing pay as a clerk in the Land Office, for instance.

It is a reasonably wise Congressman who knows his own limitations. The inability of harnessing Pegasus to a plow is not more evident than that of taking the ordinary barnyard equine and equipping him with wings. The Congressman who can't write, and is shrewd enough to be aware of this, and yet has a few things that need saying should have the privilege of retaining a professional word-monger, and making his constituents in the cow counties think him a wonder of eloquence. This is one of the perquisites, as much the spoils of office as the mail frank and the fat mileage.

## Truth in Disguise.

A man suspected of an attempt to destroy the Frederick the Great monument was questioned about it. He replied that he would not answer, because to do so would incriminate him. Such instances are common.

What this man really did was confess his guilt. In effect he said: "Of course, I made the attempt, but I hope you don't think I am such an idiot as to tell you about it."

Thus is kept up one of the popular fictions of the law.

When truth assumes a certain disguise, politeness stipulates that it be not recognized. Everybody knows it at a glance. It is as readily discerned as the human figure behind a Santa Claus make-up at a Christmas festival. But it is not permitted the observer to get familiar with Santa Claus; and so with truth.

No suspected person after refusal to answer a question, his plea being that the answer would declare him a criminal, can be regarded as innocent. He has himself dispelled any theory of innocence, and yet, known to be guilty, there is a formal obligation to waive this knowledge.

The law has been a long time reaching its present standard, and it ought to be effective. It is this if the purpose is to shield the evildoer; but if the idea is to inflict punishment and impose restraint, the law is still at some points lacking in perfection. It can't grasp a disguised truth.

Telegraphic report states that a certain Mr. Lodge, of Akron, Ohio, found a buried Indian treasure of a ton of silver on Silver Lake near that city; and yet scornful persons are still asking, "What's in a name?"

Problem: If a member of the House of Representatives can travel a few thousand miles at the rate of 20 cents a mile by merely sitting in his seat and imagining a trip, how long will he be able to build up an original law practice in his native town in a life time?

England is about to add more battle-ships to her navy and just at the time the terrible sea serpent is preparing to get in his summer's work.

Some very playful persons caused a wreck lately out in Iowa by removing the spikes and misplacing the rails of the railroad track; and yet we say American humor is dying out.

We shall soon hear how the new commander of the Russian forces in the Far East will be making a bee line with for Harbin.

The kind of yellow fever Emperor William was lately afflicted with was not conveyed by mosquitoes. It was caused by the pesky little Japs.

Hoch der Kaiser as well as Lo, the poor Indian, are misnomers. Everyone ought to know that the Kaiser's name is Wilhelm.

Castro has aroused the ire of Holland, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, and the United States. He would be happy now if he could just avert the hostility of Russia and Japan to himself.

"Who's Who" is the title of a book dealing with the celebrities of America. The scope of it is too large. "Who's Who" would suit men like Dr. Osler better.

"Anxious Traveler" makes inquiry of us whether it would be safe to travel through Colorado providing the train went as fast as possible and no stop was made.

We should like to have a description of the new spring hat and gown mother was talking of when baby was left on the train to travel the 200 miles.

Attorneys for the trusts, in speaking of the American Constitution, pronounce it perfectly healthy and normal, and at the same time want to appoint doctors for it.

Roosters report that he's "whipping his fleet into shape" and the Japanese will whip it out again.

# IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

## MEYER BIDS ADIEU TO QUEEN DOWAGER

Ambassador to Italy Will Sail on Saturday.

## OTHER DIPLOMATIC GOSSIP

Many Washingtonians Are Spending Spring Days in the Sunbry South.

The Dowager Queen Margherita of Italy yesterday received American Ambassador Meyer in farewell audience.

Mr. Meyer will be received in audience by King Victor Emmanuel today, and the King will give a farewell dinner for him, an unusual distinction, showing his majesty's appreciation of the United States and his friendship for Mr. Meyer. The ambassador will leave Rome on Saturday for Paris, where he will meet his successor, Henry White, and will arrive in St. Petersburg on April 7.

The French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand will spend their summer vacation abroad, leaving the Counselor of the Embassy, M. des Portes de la Fosse, as charge d'affaires.

The Viscount de Chambrun has left the city for New York, preparatory to sailing for Europe on a two-months' leave.

Miss Marie McKenna is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. King Wainwright at Bryn Mawr, Pa., from whose home she will go to New York to visit her sister, Mrs. Pitts Duffield.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Wilson, will give up his present residence on Vermont avenue next month, and will take an apartment at Stoneleigh Court.

Mrs. Hunt Slater, who has been in Boston for a short visit, has returned to her home in this city.

Mrs. Malcolm McCommer has gone to her country seat at Cedarhurst, L. I.

Mrs. J. D. McClellan has returned to her apartments at Stoneleigh Court after a long visit to Florida.

Mr. Pinchoff's illness.

Society people generally are much concerned in the illness of James Pinchoff, which has caused Mrs. Pinchoff to abandon many of her spring engagements.

Representative and Mrs. Sperry are spending some time in Pinehurst, S. C., before going to their home in New Haven, Conn.

Judge and Mrs. James McKinney are making a prolonged stay at Aiken, S. C.

Senator and Mrs. Thomas C. Platt, who have been staying at Aiken, have left there, accompanied in their private car by Judge and Mrs. Robert C. Morris.

Miss Isabel May will be bridesmaid at the wedding of Miss Julia L. Edgar and Richard H. Williams, which takes place in New York April 25.

Fairchild-Bell Marriage.

The date for the marriage of Miss Marian Bell and David G. Fairchild, whose engagement was announced a few weeks ago, is set for April 25.

Mrs. Sol Minister, of the Winchester, will not receive tomorrow.

Mrs. Louis Eisenman, of Sixteenth street, entertained a few young friends at a most enjoyable whist last night in honor of Miss Stella Levy, of Savannah, Ga.

Miss Laura Behrend left town today for a month's stay at Atlantic City.

Mark Nomash, of New York, after spending some time in the city, is here at the Raleigh for a few days before leaving for home.

## MI-CAREME MUSIC BY THE STUDENTS

General interest is always shown in the affairs of the university students here, and the Mi-Careme concert at the New Willard tonight is no exception. A fine musical program has been arranged and the event is under the patronage of the following:

Mrs. Frederick I. Allen, Mrs. Thomas H. Anderson, Mrs. George Bliss, Mrs. Anna T. Brown, Mrs. Josephine M. Buell, Mrs. A. R. Chaffee, Mrs. William N. Cogan, Mrs. George B. Cortelyou, Lady Durand, Mrs. Maurice F. Egan, Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins, Mrs. Henry W. Fitch, Mrs. John C. Fremont, Mrs. Hugh J. Gallagher, Mrs. Teresa R. Gower, Mrs. William C. Gwynn, Mrs. Eugene H. Hare, Mrs. George E. Hamilton, Mrs. Richard A. Barlow, Mrs. John Hay, Mrs. Thomas Kirby, Madame Lorrando, Mrs. James Lowndes, Mrs. Henry B. F. Macfarland, Mrs. Robert A. Marshall, Mrs. Warwick E. Montgomery, Mrs. Edward de V. Morrell, Miss Helen I. Morris, Mrs. Edward Lind Morse, Mrs. Paul Morton, Madame de Quesada, Mrs. George C. Reid, Miss Catherine C. Riddely, Miss Jane A. Riggs, Mrs. Winfield S. Schley, Mrs. Leslie M. May, Mrs. Robert F. Shepard, Mrs. Seth Shepard, Mrs. J. Condit Smith, Mrs. William H. Taft, Madame Takahira, Mrs. John M. Thurston, Mrs. Robert J. Wynne, Mrs. Henry C. Yarrow.

## NO TRUTH IN THE RUMOR THAT RICHARDS WILL GO

The multiplicity of rumors which have gained circulation regarding prospective changes of men and methods in the General Land Office have included some which lack foundation in either fact or probability. Conspicuous among these unwarranted reports is the statement that Commissioner William A. Richards, of the Land Office, may lose his place. It was today authoritatively stated that Commissioner Richards has been and is, regarded by Secretary Hitchcock as an exceptionally satisfactory and efficient head of the office.

## AUTOS ON THE ISLE OF MAN.

LONDON, March 28.—Racing motor cars, which alone have a place in the Gordon Bennett Cup, contests and similar events, will have no chance in the International Tourist Trophy race, which is being organized by the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland.

The race is to be held in the autumn, probably on the Isle of Man. Its object is to encourage the production of the ideal touring car for the private user, which shall combine moderate cost, economy in fuel, cheap up-keep, and other important considerations to the amateur.

Entries are invited from all the world, on absolutely equal terms. So far nineteen firms have entered twenty-eight cars for the race.



MRS. FEDERICO DEGETAU,  
Wife of the ex-Delegate to Congress from Porto Rico, Has Just Left Washington for the Island.

## AZPIROZ FUNERAL STOPS FESTIVITY

Social Program Disarranged by Sad Event.

## MISS WOODBURY'S LUNCHEON

Mrs. Rockhill Is Guest of Honor at Alibi Club—Sale of Philippine Wares.

A number of interesting things planned for yesterday's social program were postponed on account of the funeral exercises of the Mexican Ambassador, the constant hospitality and beautiful home life of the family making the event of the death of far greater importance to the hearts of the people than his mere official rank as a diplomat.

Miss Woodbury, who, with her sister, Mrs. Gustavus V. Fox, has made her home at the Bancroft during the past season, was hostess at a beautifully appointed spring luncheon at Bauser's yesterday. Her guests were Mrs. McKenna, Mrs. Pelree, Mrs. Audreid, Mrs. Francis Riggs, Mrs. Oliver Cromwell, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Gaff, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Clapp, Mrs. Hemphill, Mrs. Richey, Mrs. Chatham, Miss Strong, and Miss Williams.

The Counselor of the French Embassy and Mme. des Portes gave a small dinner last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Phelps Eno were dinner hosts last evening.

Thomas M. Gale was host at a stag dinner last evening, when he entertained a party of fourteen.

Guest of Alibi Club.

Mrs. W. W. Rockhill was the guest of honor at a tea yesterday afternoon at the Alibi Club, with her associates in the Farmington Society as hostesses. The society, which is devoted to work among the sick poor, is composed of women educated in the well-known school Farmington, Conn., for many years under the direction of Miss Sarah Porter, and in the comparatively short time of its existence in Washington has each season maintained a visiting nurse and otherwise devoted much time and money to charity. Mrs. Rockhill's departure was a distinct loss to the society, which numbers among its officers Mrs. A. E. Bates, Mrs. Simpkins, Miss Ely, Miss Maude Hoyt, and the Misses Seigley.

In a further effort to raise money for the Working Boys' Home, the first collection of Philippine goods brought here from the World's Fair in St. Louis, and donated to the patronesses of the Bazaar of Nations for the good of the home, will be sold at genuine bargain counter prices at the "Abby," corner of Seventeenth and L streets, next to Stoneleigh Court, today. The sale will be in progress until 10 o'clock this evening. There are quantities of valuable Philippine, Just, Pina, and Siamese, embroidered and painted and Buntal hats, all of which will be sold at less than a quarter of the price asked at the Bazaar of Nations.

The services of society women as sales ladies is given, and the entire revenue will go to the Working Boys' Home and the Children's Aid Association.

Guests at the Cairo and a large number of people from outside, will attend the evening of story and song given in the ballroom of the Cairo this evening, at 8:30 o'clock, by Miss Jean Wilson and Miss Hardin-Hickey, for the benefit of the First Presbyterian Church.

## TRUTH COMES OUT.

The new proprietor of the cigar store met the ex-proprietor on the street. "Say," said the man who had bought, "when you advertised that place for sale didn't you state that it was a nice little business?" "I did," answered the man who had sold. "Well," continued the present owner, "I've only cleared eighty cents in two days."

## A PLOT THAT FAILED.

Telegram No. 1.—Chicago. "Wire me from New York to come there on urgent business. Spring house cleaning is on."

Telegram No. 2.—New York.

"Mudway stock is going up. Come at once prepared to stay two weeks."

Telegram No. 3.—Chicago.

"Dear Hubby—Hope you reached New York safely. Nothing has happened since you left. Have decided to postpone housecleaning until you return. Nobody can shake the rugs so well."

—Chicago Record-Herald.

# Will Organize a Troop Of Cavalry at Capital

It Will Be Composed of Men Who Have Had Actual Service in the United States Army.

A movement is on foot to organize a cavalry squadron in this city composed entirely of ex-cavalrymen from the United States army. A committee of six or eight men are working toward this end now, and a meeting has been called for tomorrow night at the cavalry armory, Fifth and L streets northwest. It is believed a fine cavalry troop could be organized in the District of Columbia from men who have seen years of service in the regular army. It has been said that there are more ex-cavalrymen in this city than any other city in the United States. As soon as a man is mustered out, if he has no home to return to, he takes the first train for Wash-

ington, where chances for Government employment are very bright for ex-soldiers.

One of the members of the committee stated to a Times reporter today that he thought a troop of 200 men could be organized in the District of Columbia, giving this section the finest body of cavalrymen (outside of the regular army) in the United States.

It takes years to drill a cavalry troop, but where there are men who have been cavalrymen, it would be an easy task to organize the proposed squadron in a short time. The committee is composed of Olin H. Lake, E. Inge, A. Barton, J. J. Brown, R. Clifford, C. O. Mason, A. F. Baumbach, and one or two others.

## NORTH ATLANTIC FLEET ASSIGNED TO SQUADRONS

Change Will Take Place When Admiral Evans Takes Command. List of the Vessels.

A reorganization of the North Atlantic fleet into three squadrons is announced by the Navy Department. The change will go into effect when Rear Admiral Bobby D. Evans takes command on March 31.

Each squadron will consist of two divisions of four ships each. In addition there will be the coast squadron, a flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers and one of auxiliaries.

The composition of the subdivisions and the names of their commanders are as follows:

First squadron, first division—Maine (flagship), commander-in-chief, Mississippi, Kentucky, and Kearsarge. Second division; commander, Rear Admiral Davis—Alabama (flagship), Illinois, Iowa, and Massachusetts.

Second squadron; commander, Rear Admiral Sigsbee. Third division—Brooklyn (flagship), Chattanooga, Galveston, and Tacoma.

Fourth division; commander, Rear Admiral Brownson—Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Flagship to be assigned later.

Third squadron; commander, Rear Admiral Bradford. Fifth division—Olympia (flagship), Cleveland, Des Moines, and Denver.

Sixth division—Topeka, Detroit, Newport, and Castine.

Coast squadron; commander, Rear Admiral Dickens—Texas (flagship), Arkansas, Florida, and Nevada.

Flotilla of destroyers; commander, Lieutenant Commander Johnson—Destroyers Whipple, Worden, Stewart, Truxtun, Hull, Hopkins, Lawrence, and Lamonsie.

Auxiliaries—Culgoa, Abarenda, Hannibal, Lebanon, Sterling, and Marcellus. The first squadron is composed of battleships, the second of cruisers, and the third of cruisers and gunboats, while the coast squadron, except for the battleship Texas, is composed of monitors.

## CHINA HAS BEGUN REFORMS IN ARMY

Tieh Liang a Strong, Progressive Man, Made President of War Board.

PEKIN, March 28.—M. Tieh Liang has been appointed president of a board of war.

He is a member of a military commission, comprising Prince Ching and Wung Shi Ku, who inspected the army and navy fortifications throughout China and submitted a strong report condemning much and proposing many reforms. M. Tieh Liang is a strong, progressive man.

## MANAGER OF THE ARMOUR CONCERN IS INDICTED

Big Figure in Beef Trust Held for Alleged Tampering With Witness Before Grand Jury.

CHICAGO, March 28.—The Federal grand jury investigating the alleged Beef trust has returned an indictment against Thomas J. Connors, general superintendent for Armour & Co. The charge is interfering with a witness summoned to appear before the grand jury.

Mr. Connors, who is one of J. Ogden Armour's most confidential employees and is the active head of one of the largest packing companies in the world, was arrested last night on a bench warrant by a United States deputy marshal and brought to the grand jury room. After considerable delay the prisoner was released on a \$500 bond.

The indictment alleges that Connors tried to influence the testimony of John E. Shields, a former employee of Armour & Co.

# DREAM OF THE RAREBIT FIEND

